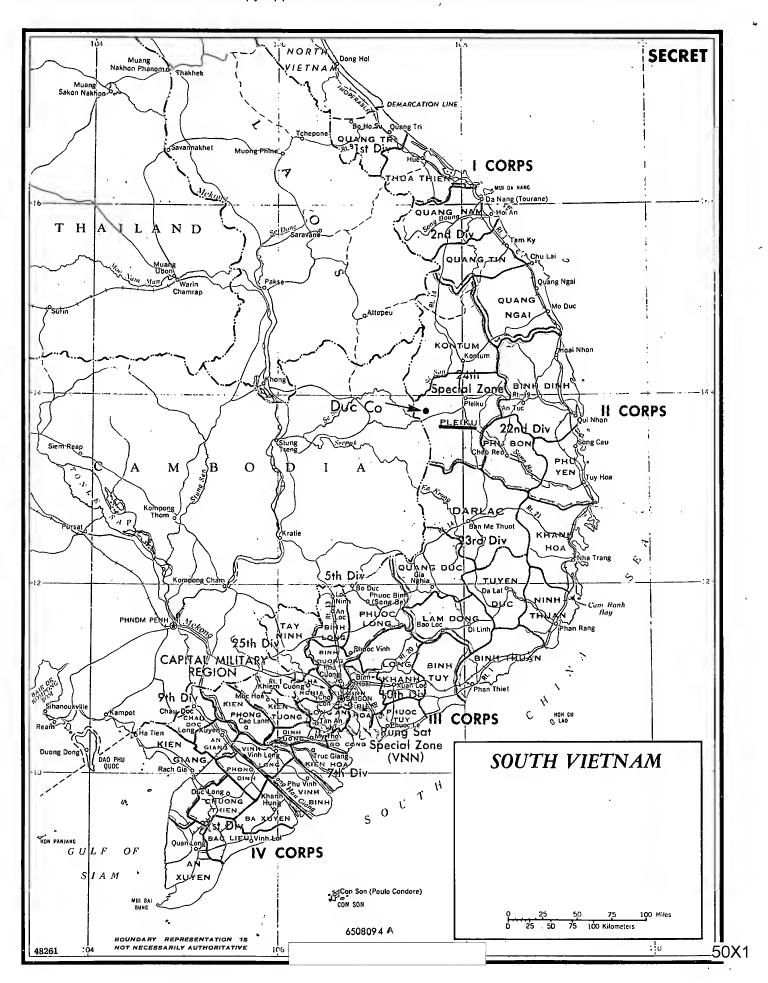


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The government column trying to relieve the Duc Co outpost is still heavily engaged about three miles east of Duc Co. In addition to the five Vietnamese battalions in the relief force, two Vietnamese airborne battalions have now been moved into reserve positions, and the US 173rd Airborne Brigade is moving to Pleiku city.

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2. Thailand

Suspected Communist subversives have made their first attack against Thai Government forces.

On 8 August, a group of terrorists skirmished with a 50-man police patrol in the northeastern part of the country. This area has long been a hotbed of dissident sentiment and the scene of increasing terrorist activity.

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3. Dominican Republic

Imbert announced today that he would sign the OAS proposals as they now stand.

Caamano, however, has raised several problems and he wants more negotiations. He is repeating his demand that all rebel military officers be reincorporated into the armed forces. He also wants a specific date set for the withdrawal of the Inter-American Peace Force, which he feels should not have responsibility for policing the rebel zone.

Some obstructionists, such as Hector Aristy, may try to arouse the rebels against the proposals, but Juan Bosch's followers at this point seem anxious for an early settlement.

4. British Guiana

Former premier Jagan and his People's Progressive Party seem to be about ready to implement their plans for increased sabotage and terrorist activity against the Burnham government.

5. Kashmir

There has been no on-the-scene account regarding the reported clashes in Kashmir. New Delhi and Karachi are putting out conflicting reports on the fighting.

Indian spokesmen now say the situation is under control. The Pakistanis, however, continue to claim that a popular revolt is in progress. Karachi Radio has alleged that a "revolutionary council" has been set up but there is no confirmation of its existence.

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8. Greece

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Public sentiment against the monarchy seems to be increasing.

The demonstrations yesterday in both Athens and Salonika were aimed essentially at the King. In Salonika, the demonstrators went so far as to call for a plebiscite against the monarchy. Papandreou supporters are reportedly saying that they will continue the demonstrations until he is returned.

This situation invites violence, particularly if the Communist-controlled faction decides to throw off restraints. In this event, the military units which moved recently into the Athens area would almost certainly intervene.

The King, meanwhile, has apparently succeeded in developing further the factionalism in the Center Union Party. There is talk that Stephanopoulos backers may bolt the party and join the Novas group to form a coalition government. Stephanopoulos, however, may lack the courage to try to carry it off.

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